

REMARKS

By the present Amendment, claims 1-7 are cancelled and claims 8-20 are added. This leaves claims 8-20 pending in the application, with claim 8, 15 and 18 being independent.

Substitute Specification

The specification is revised to avoid the objections raised in the Office Action and to eliminate grammatical and idiomatic errors in the originally presented specification. The number and nature of the changes made in the specification would render it difficult to consider the case and to arrange the papers for printing or copying. Thus, the substitute specification will facilitate processing of the application. The substitute specification includes no "new matter". Pursuant to M.P.E.P. § 608.01(q), voluntarily filed, substitute specifications under these circumstances should normally be accepted. A marked-up copy of the original specification is appended hereto.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Original claims 1-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. By the present Amendment, the originally filed claims have been rewritten to avoid the language alleged to be indefinite in the Office Action. All language of the presently pending claims is now believed to be clear and definite.

Thus, the pending claims are definite and comply with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Rejections to Drawings

The description of Fig. 4a is alleged to be incorrect on the ground that the illustration is of the cross direction and not of the making direction along cutting line D-D. However, a section

taken along D-D in the direction of the arrows indicated produces the drawing of Fig. 4a. The description of this figure is modified to refer to illustrating the extension of cross direction wires.

The drawings are also objected to for allegedly failing to show wire bridges of the upper cross direction wires extending within a pattern repeat over at least nine making direction wires and at most under one making direction wire. However, as illustrated, for example, in Fig. 1b, upper cross direction wire 121 extends under making direction wire 101 and then passes over making direction wires 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109 and 110 (i.e., over nine making direction wires), as claimed. Then, a new pattern or repeat will start with upper cross direction wire 121 passing under machine direction wire 101' and then over the following nine making direction wires 102'-110', etc. The next following cross direction wire 122, within one repeat, passes under making direction wire 110 and then extends over the following nine making direction wires 101'-109', and in a next repeat under making direction wire 110 and over the following nine making direction wires. The same extension applies for cross direction wires 123, 124, 125, etc.

Accordingly, the claimed invention is adequately illustrated in the drawings and complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.83(a). No additional or corrected drawings are believed to be necessary.

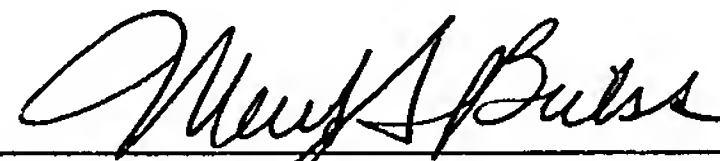
Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §102

Claim 8 is formed by the combination of original claims 1 and 2, and thus, constitutes original claim 2 rewritten in independent form. Claim 15 is formed of original claims 1 and 5, and thus, constitutes original claim 5 rewritten in independent form. Claim 18 combines the limitations of original claims 1 and 6, and thus, constitutes original claim 6 rewritten in

independent form. The Office Action indicates that claims 2, 5 and 6 recite patentable subject matter and would be allowed if rewritten in independent form and to avoid indefiniteness. Since claims 8, 15 and 18 so correspond to those original claims 2, 5 and 6, respectively, those independent claims, as well as the claims dependent thereon, should now be allowable.

In view of the foregoing, claims 8-20 are allowable. Prompt and favorable action is solicited.

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